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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am in favor of the Microsoft settlement for the following reasons:

Microsoft has agreed to a number of changes in its business that result in greater competition and growing consumer choice:

- Adoption of a Uniform Price List under which Microsoft will market Windows on identical terms and conditions to computer makers.
- Revising agreements which would allow third parties to distribute products other than those manufactured by Microsoft.
- Granting rights to computer makers to reconfigure Windows systems so as to allow the placement of non-Microsoft programs within Windows.

I would rather see this case concluded now with a predictable result than see you roll the dice in Court. The Bill Clinton Department of Justice instigated this unnecessary case. Government at its worst caused the subsequent decline in the technology side of the economy. Please do not jeopardize the fragile business rebirth that the U.S. is going through by extending this case.

Thank you for reviewing my comments.

Sincerely.

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